

Sunset Public Hearing Questions for
TENNESSEE WARS COMMISSION
Created by Section 4-11-501, *Tennessee Code Annotated*
(Sunset termination June 2011)

1. Provide a brief introduction to the Tennessee Wars Commission, including information about its purpose, statutory duties, staff, and administrative attachment.

TCA 4-110-501 created the Tennessee Wars Commission to “coordinate planning, preservation and promotion of the structures, buildings, sites and battlefields of Tennessee associated with the French and Indian War, American Revolution, War of 1812, U.S.-Mexican War, and the War Between the States”. TCA 4-11-503 designates the Tennessee Historical Commission to be the Tennessee Wars Commission. Therefore, the duties of the Tennessee Wars Commission are only a part of the duties of the Tennessee Historical Commission, and there is some overlapping of the two, although technically there is one Commission. (See Attachment #1, Duties and Objectives.)

There is only one staff person involved in the duties of the Tennessee Wars Commission, and he is part of the staff of the Tennessee Historical Commission and paid from its budget.

2. Provide a list of current commission members, or their designees, and describe how membership complies with Section 4-11-503, *Tennessee Code Annotated*. Are there any vacancies on the commission and, if so, what is being done to fill those vacancies?

The members of the Tennessee Wars Commission are the members of the Tennessee Historical Commission, which is composed of 24 members appointed by the governor, (eight from each division of the state) and four ex officio members. There are several members over 60 years of age, 10 female members, and 4 minority members (Attachment #2). There are no vacancies, and vacancies are filled by the governor.

3. What per diem or travel reimbursement do members receive? How much was paid to commission members during fiscal years 2009 and 2010? Were any other expenses charged to the commission?

Members are reimbursed for travel expenses in accordance with the provisions of the comprehensive travel regulations as promulgated by the department of finance and administration and approved by the attorney general and reporter. These travel expenses amounted to \$10,986.30 in FY2009 and \$9,817.15 in FY 2010. There were no other expenses charged to the commission.

4. What were the commission’s revenues (by source) and expenditures (by object) for fiscal years 2009 and 2010?

Tennessee Wars Commission, Fiscal Year 2008-2009

Appropriations	\$299,700.00
<u>Federal Revenue:</u>	
Fort Donelson	\$125,000.00
Davis Bridge	\$971,603.13
Interdepartmental	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$1,396,303.13

Expenditures:

Travel	\$ 212.00
Printing	\$ 29,850.00
Communications	\$ 1,121.00
Professional Services	\$ 0.00
Supplies	\$ 678.00
Grants	\$113,035.00
Fort Donelson	\$125,000.00
Davis Bridge	<u>\$971,603.13</u>
TOTAL	\$1,241,439.13

Tennessee Wars Commission, Fiscal Year 2009-2010

Appropriations	\$149,700.00
Federal Revenue	<u>\$ 0.00</u>
TOTAL	\$149,700.00

Expenditures:

Travel	\$ 220.00
Printing	\$ 28,250.00
Communications	\$ 1,248.00
Supplies	\$ 960.00
Grants	<u>\$ 141,839.00</u>
TOTAL	\$ 172,517.00

5. How many times did the commission meet during fiscal years 2009 and 2010 and how many members were present at each meeting?

The Commission meets each February, June, and October, so in 2009 and 2010 they met three times each year. Attendance for the 24 members appointed by the governor plus the four ex officio members was as follows:

FY 2009

October 20
February 19
June 18

FY 2010

October 20
February 20
June 20

6. Section 4-11-505(b) requires the commission to file an annual report with the Governor and both speakers of the General Assembly. Please attach copies of the last two reports. What other reports does the commission prepare on its operations, activities, and accomplishments, and who receives these reports?

Copies of FY 2009 and FY 2010 reports are being submitted. Other report activities and accomplishments are sent to all Tennessee Historical Commission members and are listed on our web site.

7. Does the commission have a web site? If so, please provide its web address. What kind of public information is provided on the site?

The main page of the Tennessee Wars Commission is:

http://www.tdec.net/hist/tn_wars_com.shtml

There are links on that page to a number of reports and publications of the Commission, including the brochure, *A Path Divided: Tennessee's Civil War Heritage Trail*. Hard copies of reports of activities of the Commission are also provided.

8. Is the commission subject to Sunshine law requirements (Section 8-44-101 et seq., *Tennessee Code Annotated*) for public notice of meetings, prompt and full recording of minutes, and public access to minutes? If so, what procedure does the commission have for informing the public of its meetings and making its minutes available to the public?

The Commission is subject to Sunshine Law requirements for public notice of meetings, recording of minutes, and public access to minutes. Notices of meetings are published in our newsletter, *The Courier*, prior to the meetings, giving date and location of the meeting. Operators of state historic sites are notified by mail and telephone, providing the above information. Copies of the minutes of the meetings are available to the public upon request.

9. Does the commission have the authority to promulgate rules? If so, and the commission has promulgated rules, please cite the reference. If such authority is not granted, does the commission feel that authority is needed?

The Commission has no authority to promulgate rules. At this time we do not

feel it is needed.

10. What were the commission's major accomplishments during fiscal years 2009 and 2010? Specifically, describe the nature and extent of commission activities as they pertain to the nine enumerated powers and duties defined in Section 4-11-502, *Tennessee Code Annotated*.

The Commission's major accomplishments:

- **Coordinated and finalized purchase of 650 acres at the Davis Bridge Battlefield, completing protection of 98 percent of the site (854 acres) of this important 1862 battle.**
- **The Tennessee Wars Commission was awarded Federal Enhancement Funding totaling \$3,019,840 to facilitate preservation and interpretation projects at Fort Donelson Battlefield in Dover, Shiloh National Military Park in Hardin County, Davis Bridge Battlefield in McNairy and Hardeman Counties, and Parker's Crossroads Battlefield in Henderson County.**
- **The Wars Commission funded archeological investigations near the historic Carter House in Franklin to locate the site of the original Carter family Cotton Gin. Additional investigation centered near the Carter Family Garden site, where portions of 40 yards of Union infantry ditch were investigated and revealed much information about Union and Confederate troops who fought in hand-to-hand combat over the site.**
- **The Tennessee Wars Commission Director of Programs assisted the National Park Service's American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP) in updating and revising the State of Tennessee section of the National Park Service 1993 publication, *Civil War Sites Advisory Commission Report on the Nation's Civil War Battlefields*. 20,426 acres have been set aside permanently in Tennessee. Public-private partnerships have saved one-third of those lands, some 7,319.82 acres. A good deal of the credit for this remarkable amount of land conservation goes to the Tennessee Wars Commission.**
- **During the 2009 National Preservation Conference in Nashville, Fred Prouty was a speaker for the Education Session entitled, "The Battle to Protect Civil War History". Participating with Prouty was Mr. Jim Lighthizer, President of the Civil War Preservation Trust, and Director Robert Nieweg, Southern field office, National Trust for Historic Preservation.**
- **The Wars Commission is currently completing acquisition of a 20-acre tract of battlefield property at Davis Bridge in partnership with non-profit Civil War preservation organizations to match grants from the federal government's TEA Enhancement Program and the National Park Service's, American Battlefield Protection Program. During the past year a 5-acre tract at**

Parker's Crossroads Battlefield was purchased by the Civil War Preservation Trust and is to be donated to the State in the near future.

- A new Wars Commission publication entitled, *Ready to Die for Liberty*, is being prepared for publication. The educational booklet tells the story of Tennessee African Americans before, during, and after the Civil War and is expected to be printed in 2010.
- The Tennessee Wars Commission has furnished Johnsonville State Historic Area park officials, in Humphreys County, with a draft copy of text and graphics for 13 interpretive wayside signs and kiosks to be installed on site at the Civil War battlefield located at New Johnsonville. Tennessee State Parks received the interpretive material through the services of the Wars Commission personal service contractor who completed the project that included research, writing, layout and design for the above 13 interpretive wayside signs.
- With a grant from the Tennessee Wars Commission, an educational documentary film on the Battle of Johnsonville has been completed and will soon air on National Public Television. The interpretive film will also be shown in the theater of the proposed Johnsonville State Historic Area Welcome and Interpretive Center (Humphreys County), now in design phase. The film focuses on the Battle of Johnsonville (November 4, 1864) and is designed to be "student friendly" as well as being enjoyed by the Civil War enthusiast. The film is being produced by the Renaissance Center Multi-Media Department of Dickson. Wars Commission Director Prouty, along with other state officials, appear in the film as historical consultants.
- The Wars Commission continues to deliver our newest Tennessee Civil War Trail Brochure, "*A Path Divided, Tennessee's Civil War Heritage Trail*" to all Tennessee State Welcome Centers with over 125,000 brochures having been distributed during 2009. The *Path Divided* brochure is still the most requested state brochure at our eleven Tennessee State Welcome Centers.
- Tennessee Civil War Preservation Association (TCWPA) was granted Wars Commission funds for professional services to maintain the TCWPA current preservation, administrative, and educational programs and will also fund, in part, the Tennessee Battlefield Assessment Program (TBAP) website.
- Executive Director Patrick McIntyre of the Tennessee Historical Commission and Tennessee Wars Commission Director of Programs Fred Prouty are board members of Governor Phil Bredesen's Tennessee Civil War Sesquicentennial Commission. Board members met throughout 2009 to formulate plans for a state Civil War web site and continued development of a Tennessee Civil War Trails System. They also reviewed plans for other activities in connection with Tennessee's 150th Anniversary of the American Civil War in 2010.

- The Wars Commission, in conjunction with The Renaissance Center Multimedia Department, is creating a pilot production for a new Tennessee Civil War television series for the state's Public Broadcasting Stations (PBS). The project will be funded by a grant from the Tennessee Civil War National Heritage Area at Middle Tennessee State University.
- A Wars Commission grant was awarded for the completion of an important Tennessee archeological publication by Dr. Carl Kuttruff entitled, *Fort Loudoun in Tennessee, 1756-1760: History Archaeology, Replication, Exhibits, and Interpretation*. Archeological excavations (in Loudon County) were conducted under supervision of the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) in the early 1970s. The final report is the culmination of more than 30 years of work on this historically significant site associated with the French and Indian War (1754-1763) in East Tennessee. The Tennessee Wars Commission grant paid for editing, layout, publishing, and distribution of the final report in book and digital CD format.
- Through a grant to the Bledsoe's Lick Historical Association, the Tennessee Wars Commission has developed an extensive plan to address issues related to the preservation, management, and interpretation of four significant historic sites in the Castilian Springs, Tennessee area. Wynnewood State Historic Site, Castilian Springs Mound Site, Bledsoe's Fort, and Hawthorne Hill were discussed at length in the completed report and included an "action plan" designed to steer the Historic Bledsoe's Lick Association over the next 10 years. The plan forms the basis for future historic tourism development in the area and has the potential to develop an interpretive program, within a "park" atmosphere, explaining the area's historic resources that range from 10,000 years ago through the its early frontier settlements.
- Wars Director Fred Prouty met with officials of H.C.A. Hospitals to discuss the possibilities of preserving Spring Hill Battlefield viewsheds and green space near the proposed H.C.A. Spring Hill hospital site, located several hundred yards to the east of battlefield property. H.C.A., Wars Commission, and Tennessee Preservation Trust officials discussed the battlefields sensitive viewshed concerns and ways they might be preserved. The Civil War Preservation Trust again named Spring Hill's battlefield to its annual list of sites facing the greatest threat of being lost to development.
- Funded by a grant from the Tennessee Wars Commission and matching grant from the American Battlefield Preservation Program (ABPP), a web site entitled, *Tennessee Civil War Documentary Sourcebook*, (a word searchable web site), was established based on extensive archival research completed by Dr. Jim Jones, Public Historian for the Tennessee Historical Commission. The web site has become extremely beneficial for research of Tennessee military and civilian activities during the Civil War era. Wars Director Fred Prouty

has contributed an extensive Tennessee “Civil War Glossary” of military terms for the Sourcebook as an interpretive tool. The Sourcebook can be viewed at, <http://tennessee.civilwarsourcebook.com>.

- Franklin’s Charge Association has completed a Preservation Plan and study of the endangered National Register Civil War era field fortifications located in Triune (Williamson County). The plan, funded by the Wars Commission grant, addresses current ownership and information gleaned from public meetings held with the properties owners. The Plan will serve as an important resource for continuing preservation efforts of this significant Tennessee site.
- During the past year the Tennessee Wars Commission agreed to hold conservation easements on land acquired at Fort Donelson through the efforts of the Civil War Preservation Trust (CWPT) and the National Park Service, American Battlefield Protection Program (ABPP). Easements were obtained through the State Lands Acquisition Committee and were additionally approved by the State Building Commission. The State has now obtained an option to acquire interests in many acres of endangered core battlefield land at the Fort Donelson, and several other significant Tennessee battlefield sites, making these “hallowed grounds” official state conservation easements.
- The Battle of Nashville Preservation Society (BONPS) received a Tennessee Wars Commission grant for the final payoff of the mortgage on the Redoubt Number One, one of the last remaining Confederate field fortifications from the Battle of Nashville. Tennessee Wars Commission funding was matched dollar-for-dollar and the debt retired by BONPS. The historic property has been placed into a conservation easement held by The Land Trust of Tennessee and was formally dedicated on December 15, 2009. The site contains interpretive signage and brochures.
- A Wars Commission grant to the Lakeway Civil War Preservation Association of Morristown, Tennessee, has helped to restore and interpret the historic Longstreet/ Nennet Home in Russellville (Hamblen County). The house was used as headquarters by Confederate Lieutenant General James Longstreet and his staff during the winter of 1863-1864. When restored, the house will act as a Welcome Center for public education and tourism of regional historical Civil War sites.
- Funds were granted for the restoration of the Cold Spring School House in Portland, Tennessee. The schoolhouse was constructed in 1857 and was used as a military infirmary for Camp Trousdale, an early war Tennessee Confederate military training facility. The building was abandoned in the 1930’s and was donated to the Highland Rim Historical Society in 1975.
- The Town of Collierville received a grant to conduct a study of archival resources (at state and national levels) connected with Civil War military

commands stationed in the town of Collierville during the Civil War. Research focused on obtaining information as to the possible location of the earthen field fortifications and stockade built by occupation troops and the location of the original Collierville railroad depot.

- During the fiscal year 2009 the Tennessee Wars Commission received an \$864,500 funding grant from the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Trust Fund (THCTF) to complete the purchase of 643 acres of endangered Battlefield property at Davis Bridge in Hardeman and McNairy County. The THCTF grant was matched by our project partners, the American Battlefield Protection Program (\$864,500), and the Civil War Preservation Trust (\$200,000), for a total of \$1,929,000. With the addition of the above newly acquired property, approximately 98 percent of the original battlefield acreage has now been preserved and contains over 860 acres of “hallowed ground”. Along with the above grant total of \$1,929,000 the Tennessee State Lands Acquisition Committee approved a \$61,000.00 Wars Commission funding request for administrative and closing costs connected with the Davis Bridge Battlefield property acquisition. This brings the total Tennessee Wars Commission grant funding for Davis Bridge Battlefield projects in 2009 to \$1,990,000.
- In addition to the above requests, an urgent plea was made to the Tennessee Heritage Conservation Trust Fund (THCTF) on behalf of the Parker’s Crossroads Battlefield Preservation Association to help secure 87 acres of endangered core battlefield property for sale at the battlefield site in Henderson County. The request for \$300,000.00 was approved and was matched by \$400,000.00 obtained from the Tennessee Lands Acquisition Fund and \$100,000.00 granted by the Civil War Preservation Trust. The \$800,000.00 purchase has now been closed and property will be incorporated into the existing 206-acre battlefield interpretive program.
- Tennessee State Lands Acquisition Commission (SLAC) approved acquisition of a 5 and 52 acre tract of core battlefield property at Parkers Crossroads Battlefield, and 20.44 acre tract at Davis Bridge Battlefield. SLAC also awarded the Tennessee Wars Commission \$55,675 to help cover state closing and administrative charges. The properties are being purchased with matching grants from the Civil War Preservation Trust, the American Battlefield Preservation Program, Tennessee State Land Acquisition Commission, the Tennessee Wars Commission, and a grant from TDOT Enhancement Funds.
- Since 1998 the National Park Service’s American Battlefield Protection Program has contributed \$2,886,575 for six Tennessee battlefields, allowing the Tennessee Wars Commission to secure over \$7,464,061 in non-federal leveraged matching funds for a total battlefield land acquisition cost of \$10,350,636.

- In fiscal year 2009 the Tennessee Wars Commission received a TEA-21 Enhancement Grant from Governor Phil Bredsen for \$929,132. The Wars Commission submitted the TEA-21 Enhancement Grant Funds, in the previous year, for the rehabilitation of the Pocahontas Schoolhouse (in Hardeman County) as a new interpretive center for the Davis Bridge Battlefield. The application also requested funding for the creation of an interpretive trail system for the entire 860 acre Davis Bridge Battlefield. The Trail will include interpretive signage and kiosks, handicapped accessible pedestrian trails, and a pedestrian bridge way across the Hatchie River. The grant also includes brochures, website and placement of artillery pieces at strategic points on the battlefield.
- In August, 2008 Parker's Crossroads Battlefield received a \$90,708 Enhancement grant to create eight interpretive waysides, 5,800 feet of paved trails and will expand and enhance over 8,180 feet of existing trails with 33 interpretive waysides. The TEA-21 Enhancement Fund application was prepared and submitted by the Tennessee Wars Commission for the continuation of the Parker's Crossroads Battlefield Trail Project.

11. Does the commission set goals and measure its performance compared to the goals? What performance indicators or goals does management use to measure the effectiveness and efficiency of the commission? How well has the commission performed, based on those performance indicators?

The Performance indicators or goals used by the Tennessee Wars Commission to measure effectiveness and efficiency are as follows:

PM#	Performance Measure (PM)	Performance Results
1	To publish survey results of Tennessee Civil War Sites	Published <i>A Survey of Civil War Era Military Sites in Tennessee</i> that included more than 500 Civil War Sites in Tennessee
2	To publish a statewide Civil War driving tour brochure	Published, <i>A Path Divided, Tennessee's Civil War Heritage Trail</i> driving tour brochures and delivered to all state Welcome Centers every summer
3	To produce a Tennessee Civil War preservation video for all state schools	Created an Emmy award winning video, <i>Hallowed Ground, Preserving Tennessee's Battlefields</i> ; geared to 5 th , 8 th , and 11 th grades and to be sent to over 2000 schools statewide
4	To create a State of Tennessee web site to inform the general public of the Tennessee Wars Commission's activities	Created the Tennessee Wars Commission "Gazette Newsletter" web site and the TN Civil War Sourcebook word searchable web site.
5	To create a web site version of the	Created, <i>A Path Divided, Tennessee's</i>

	Tennessee statewide Civil War driving tour brochure	<i>Civil War Heritage Trail</i> web site revised each year.
6	To create an in-depth Tennessee Civil War documentary sourcebook for state libraries and schools	Created, <i>Tennessee Civil War Documentary Sourcebook</i> CD-ROM, to be sent to all Tennessee schools and libraries, work ongoing.
7	To purchase available significant Civil War properties in Tennessee	Preserved over 900 acres of endangered state battlefield sites this year, total to date 3,000 acres.
8	To create, fund, and publish a report on underwater Civil War cultural resources at Johnsonville Battle site in the Tennessee River near Dover Tennessee	Published an underwater archaeological report, brochure and created a web site. The information to be used in the proposed Johnsonville Battlefield Welcome Center
9	To develop a Civil War brochure for East Tennessee	Developed, published, and printed 70,000 copies of the East Tennessee Civil War Driving Tour brochure, <i>From Bridge to Bridge the Civil War in East Tennessee</i>
10	To conduct statistical research and produce a report on Tennessee's yearly Civil War tourism visitation	Published a report showing there were over 5 million visitors to Tennessee's Civil War sites and over 6 million "virtual visitors" to Tennessee's Civil War web sites.
11	Tennessee Wars/Historical Commission secure Tennessee Conservation easement for state battlefield acquisitions	Several Deeds of Conservation Easement have been secured to help in the acquisition of endangered state Civil War sites
12	To produce a Revolutionary War and War of 1812 state wide site report	Published, <i>A Survey of Sites Related to the American Revolution and War of 1812 in Tennessee</i> that listed 236 potential sites
13	To produce a revision of the Nation Park Service (NPS) Civil War Sites Advisory Commission Report on Nations Battlefields.	Entered into a Cooperative Agreement with NPS that resulted in a revision of the Report .
14	To create a report on Civil War sites in the Strawberry Plains area of Tennessee	Published, <i>Assessment and Preservation Plan for Strawberry Plains Battlefield and Fortifications</i> , in Jefferson County
15	To prepare National Register Nominations for several Civil War sites in Tennessee	Prepared and submitted to NPS National Register Nominations for several Civil Wars sites in Tennessee.
16	To obtain funding for the acquisition of endangered Civil War battlefield property	Received NPS funds to purchase endangered core battlefield property
17	To create a video presentation for the New Johnsonville Civil War Interpretive Center	A new 25-minute interpretive film has been produced with Wars Commission funds.

12. Describe any items related to the commission that require legislative attention and your proposed legislative changes.

None

13. Should this commission be continued? Why or why not?

We feel that the Tennessee Wars Commission should be continued. It provides many services which are not provided by any other state agencies. It is the only state agency involved in the preservation of battlefield and other historic sites relating to the activities of the wars fought on Tennessee soil, which are significant in the history of the state. The Commission receives state and federal grants and awards funds to counties, municipalities, and nonprofit organizations for maintaining and restoring memorials related to the wars. It provides literature and videotapes to schools throughout the state to assist the schools in teaching the history of Tennessee and its participation in the wars. The schools are unable to provide adequate teaching aids in these areas. Perhaps the most visibly significant result of the Commission's work is its contribution to the tourism industry in Tennessee, which is very helpful to the state's economy. Statistics from the Department of Tourist Development indicate that last year 5,000,000 visitors came to Tennessee to visit Civil War sites. Also, TDOT reported that at all statewide welcome centers, the Commission's brochure, *A Path Divided*, was the most requested brochure.

14. Please list all commission programs or activities that receive federal financial assistance and, therefore are required to comply with Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. Include the amount of federal funding received by program/activity.

The Commission receives federal financial assistance in grants, from which the Commission assists in the purchase of battlefield sites and related activities.

If the commission does receive federal assistance, please answer questions 15 through 22. If the commission does not receive federal assistance, proceed directly to question 21.

15. Does your commission prepare a Title VI plan? If yes, please provide a copy of the most recent plan.

The TDEC has a Title VI Plan that's developed for and applicable to all TDEC programs.

16. Does your commission have a Title VI coordinator? If yes, please provide the Title VI coordinator's name and phone number and a brief description of his/her duties. If not,

provide the name and phone number of the person responsible for dealing with Title VI issues.

The TDEC has a Title VI Coordinator and Complaint Officer.

Coordinator: Costin Shamble (615-253-8337) - Facilitate Title VI compliance activities; review data and make recommendations of actions to enhance Title VI compliance; conduct Title VI training programs; compile Department's Title VI Implementation Plan; represent the TDEC at meetings on Title VI.

Complaint Officer: M. C. Holland (615-532-0153) - Receives Title VI complaints; conducts an investigation of complaints; facilitates a remedy of Title VI concerns; makes recommendation(s) of actions needed to resolve complaint.

17. To which state or federal agency (if any) does your commission report concerning Title VI? Please describe the information your commission submits to the state or federal government and/or provide a copy of the most recent report submitted.

The TDEC is required to submit an annual Title VI Implementation Plan to the State Comptroller of the Treasury. Additionally, the Plan is submitted to and reviewed by the Title VI Legislative Sub-Committee of the State Legislature. A public hearing is conducted annually on the Plan. Disadvantaged business participation is submitted to the Environmental Protection Agency.

18. Describe your commission's actions to ensure that commission staff and clients/program participants understand the requirements of Title VI.

Internally:

- **Mandatory Civil Rights training of TDEC staff included Title VI**
- **TDEC Title VI brochure distributed to Department staff**
- **Periodic discussions with staff, Title VI related actions/activities**
- **Staff participation in training programs offered by state and federal agencies**

Externally:

- **Participation in Community Title VI workshops and conferences**
- **Contract language includes Title VI compliance**
- **Posting of Civil Rights posters**
- **Distribution of Title VI brochure**

19. Describe your commission's actions to ensure it is meeting Title VI requirements. Specifically, describe any commission monitoring or tracking activities related to Title VI, and how frequently these activities occur.

Minority participation in TDEC programs and activities is reviewed by the Title VI Coordinator. Activities reviewed include: representation on boards, disadvantaged business participation, and public participation. Meetings with

the Commissioner's staff are held to discuss minority participation issues at least quarterly. Disadvantaged business participation is submitted quarterly to the Environmental Protection Agency. A compilation of the TDEC's minority outreach and participation is reviewed routinely and compiled annually.

20. Please describe the commission's procedures for handling Title VI complaints. Has your commission received any Title VI-related complaints during the past two years? If yes, please describe each complaint, how each complaint was investigated, and how each complaint was resolved (or, if not yet resolved, the complaint's current status).

The TDEC did not receive a Title VI Complaint during fiscal year 2008-2009.

Complaint procedure:

Complaints must be filed in writing. The complaint should be filed on the TDEC's complaint form. The division director of the program will forward the complaint to the Title VI Complaint Officer.

TDEC will make a prompt investigation when a complaint or other information indicating a violation is received. If the investigation indicates a violation of Title VI, TDEC will notify the recipient and will attempt to resolve the matter informally. If the investigation indicates that a violation did not occur, TDEC will notify the recipient and the complainant in writing.

The Title VI Complaint Officer will submit findings and conclusions to TDEC Civil Rights Champions. The Assistant Commissioner will issue a decision on the investigation findings and conclusions. Decisions made by the Assistant Commissioner can be appealed to the Commissioner within 30 days of receipt of the decision.

A complaint may be filed with the appropriate Federal agency no later than 180 calendar days after the alleged discrimination occurred.

Citizen suits remain an option in this process.

TDEC's toll free hotline (1-888-891-8332), accessible statewide, is maintained and available for complaints.

21. Please provide a breakdown of current commission staff by title, ethnicity, and gender.

There is only one staff member for the Tennessee Wars Commission:

Fred Prouty, Director of Programs, male, white.

22. Please list all commission contracts, detailing each contractor, the services provided, the amount of the contract, and the ethnicity of the contractor/business owner.

Tennessee Wars Commission Grants

FISCAL 2009-2010

Contractor- **Humphreys County Chamber of Commerce**
Service Description- For the creation of an educational documentary video on the Civil War Battle of Johnsonville, Tennessee.
Contract begin date- July 1, 2008
Contract end date- June 30, 2009
State funds- \$10,000.00
Federal match none
Total \$10,000.00

Ethnicity: White

Contractor- **Archaeological, Historical and Environmental Services, Inc.**
Service Description- For the provision of editing, layout, print and distribution of 250 bound reports on Fort Loudoun Archaeological Investigations.
Contract begin date- July 1, 2008
Contract end date- June 30, 2009
State funds- \$16,546.00
Federal match none
Total \$16,546.00

Ethnicity: White

Contractor- **Battle of Nashville Preservation Society**
Service Description- For the provision of purchase, preservation and interpretation of Civil War battlefield property know as "Redoubt No. 1" in Nashville, TN, Davidson County.
Contract begin date- May 1, 2008
Contract end date- April 30, 2009
State funds- \$21,000.00

Ethnicity: White

Contractor- **Matt Gardner Homestead Museum**
Service Description- For the provision of restoration and stabilization of the kitchen and dinning area of the historic homestead site.
Contract begin date- January 30, 2008
Contract end date- December 1, 2009

State funds-	\$11,150.00
Federal funds	none
Total	\$11,150.00

Ethnicity: *African American*

Contractor	Franklin's Charge, Inc.
Service Description	For the provision of Civil War battlefield archeological investigations near the Carter House in the City of Franklin Tennessee.
Contract begin date	July 1, 2009
Contract end date	June 30, 2010
State funds	\$34,000.00

Federal funds	none
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Total	\$34,000.00
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Ethnicity: White

Contractor	<u>Tennessee Civil War Preservation Association</u>
Service Description	For the provision of Amendment #1 of previous contract
Contract begin date	July 1, 2009
Contract end date	June 30, 2010
State funds	\$40,000.00
Federal funds	none
Ethnicity:	White

FISCAL 2010

Contractor-	Mark Johnson Photography, Inc.
Service Description-	Creation of a Website to pinpoint Civil War History in Tennessee based on content of the <i>Tennessee Civil War Sourcebook</i> , edited by Dr. Jim Jones of the THC.
Contract begin date-	November 1, 2006
Contract Amended -	2009, 2010
Contract end date-	December 31, 2010
State funds-	\$9,339.12 (each year)
Federal funds	none
Total	\$9,339.12

Ethnicity: White

Contractor	Tennessee Wars Commission
Service Description	For provision of matching funds to purchase a 20-acre tract of the endangered Davis Bridge Civil War Battlefield property.
Contract begin date	June 28, 2010
Contract end date	Sept. 30, 2010
State funds	\$45,700.00
Federal funds	none

Total	\$45,700.00
Ethnicity:	White

Contractor	Tennessee Civil War Preservation Association
Service Description	For the provision of Amendment #3 of previous contract
Contract begin date	July 1, 2009
Contract end date	June 30, 2010
State funds	\$45,000.00
Federal funds	none
Ethnicity:	White

Contractor	Lakeway Civil War Preservation Association
Service Description	For the provision of preservation and restoration of the General Longstreet Billet/ Nennery House as a regional interpretive center.
Contract begin date	February 16, 2009
Contract end date	January 1, 2010
State funds	\$20,000.00
Federal funds	none
Total	\$20,000.00
Ethnicity:	White

Contractor	Town of Collierville
Service Description	For the provision of creating and publishing a Civil War tourism brochure of the Battle of Collierville and creation and instillation of 7 interpretive tour signs.
Contract begin date	March 1, 2010
Contract end date	February 28, 2011

State funds	\$21,029.00
Federal funds	none
Total	\$21,029.00

Ethnicity:	White
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Contractor	Tennessee Division of Archaeology
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Service Description	For the provision of printing 500 copies of the report of archeological investigations at the Carter House Historic Site Franklin, Tennessee.
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Contract begin date	November 15, 2009
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Contract end date	June 30, 2010
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State funds	\$3,248.62
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Federal funds	none
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Ethnicity:	White
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Total	\$3,248.62
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**TENNESSEE WARS COMMISSION
DUTIES & OBJECTIVES**

The Tennessee General Assembly enacted legislation in April 1994 creating the Tennessee Wars Commission, which is administratively attached to the Tennessee Historical Commission..

The duties of the Wars Commission include the coordination of planning, preservation, and promotion of structures, buildings, sites, and battlefields in Tennessee associated with the French and Indian War (1754-1763), American Revolution War (1775-1783), War of 1812 (1812-1815), U.S.-Mexican War (1846-1848), and the War Between the States (1861-1865). The Commission has developed a plan that provides incentives to local landowners and governments to preserve and restore battlefields and historic sites related to the above time frames. It is charged with acquiring or providing funds for the acquisition of battlegrounds, cemeteries, and other historic properties associated with the wars.

The Commission has the authority to expend funds received from state appropriations, and other sources, to make grants to municipalities, counties, and nonprofit organizations for the purposes of maintaining and restoring existing memorials and cemeteries related to the wars. It is also authorized to receive and accept loans, gifts, grants, donations, or contributions of money, property, facilities, and services. The Commission may, with the consent of the landowner, acquire by donation, purchase, or exchange, lands and interests in battlefields, together with lands and interest in lands necessary to provide adequate public access to the battlefields and memorials. Subject to appropriations for such purposes, the Commission may make funds available for the maintenance and protection of battlefields and memorials.

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